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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 01-MAY-2006

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	35.5-68	46-49	47.25	28

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

67.50

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

67.23

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	139.50	1,225
BREASTS - B/S	111.00	5,683
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.00	1,307
THIGH MEAT - B/S	74.00	1,085
LEG QUARTERS	19.00	8,566
WINGS	84.50	2,939

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 29-Apr-06

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	162,882	158,541

MIDWEST The preliminary majority price for next week's delivery into the Chicago area was unchanged from Monday's final majority. The market tone for whole broiler/fryers was mostly steady, instances barely steady. Additional offerings were adequate to ample for the limited trade interest. Retail and distributive demand was light to moderate with many anticipating improved demand as the first of the month and the Mother's Day holiday approaches. Features, catering, and some fast food channels provided the best consumer appeal. Floor stocks were mostly balanced to instances long with sizes desirable, instances heavy. Part supplies were mostly adequate with the exception of small wings dark meat cuts, which were in the tightest position. The trade sentiment was steady to firm on dark meat items and small wings with the remainder of parts generally steady.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUME SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **WEEK ENDING APRIL 28, 2006**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	70.33	70.00**	67.00**	EASTERN REGION	70.50	70.00**	65.20**
CENTRAL REGION	69.00	71.00	67.33	CENTRAL REGION	69.80**	69.50**	67.00
WESTERN REGION	69.60**	69.00**	67.00	WESTERN REGION	69.60**	69.00**	66.00

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 22-Apr-2006 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS
Head	163,490
Avg Wt	5.40
Last week	154,312
Same wk yr ago	161,112
Avg Wt	5.33
To-date/2006	2,568,970
To-date/2005	2,508,776

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS THOUSANDS	YOUNG TOMS
Head	2,043	2,469
Avg Wt	17.40	38.51
Last week	1,838	2,164
Same wk yr ago	1,646	2,639
Avg Wt	16.19	37.89
To-date/2006	28,730	39,277
To-date/2005	24,807	40,294

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated

	PRICE	RANGE	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	555.25	621.65	583.70
168 3 Round, top inside round	150.58	161.25	155.71
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	609.90	704.95	647.80
Ground Beef 81%	126.64	141.70	131.28

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